GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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EXTRADITION OF ACCUSED RUNNING INTO ROUGH WEATHER
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the extradition of four persons accused in the Goa child abuse case from the United Kingdom, Australia, Sweden and Germany respectively has run into rough weather;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps proposed to be taken for the expeditious extradition of the accused?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA)

(a),(b)&(c) Information available with the Government is as follows :

New Zealand: The New Zealand Government has extradited accused E.C. Mcbride, who has been brought to India in November 1999 and is in judicial custody facing trial in Goa.

France: Arrest warrant and Letter Rogatory were sent to France. However, in the meantime, the accused Dominique Sebire landed in Delhi and was arrested. He is facing trial in Goa.

United Kingdom/Thailand: Both UK and Thailand have informed that Raymond Andrew Varlay, a British citizen residing in Thailand, could not be located in their countries. Therefore, a Red Corner Notice has been got issued through INTERPOL to all the countries to trace and arrest the accused.

Australia: On the basis of the warrant of arrest sent to Government of Australia, the accused Werner Wulf Ingo, has been kept under observation by the Australian Government. Draft extradition papers have been sent to the Australian Government.

Sweden: Arrest warrant, along with Letter Rogatory, against accused Nils Oscar Jonson has been sent to Government of Sweden. Swedish authorities have informed that according to their law they can not extradite their citizen to another country but would initiate prosecution against him in the Swedish Court. Accordingly, all relevant papers have been sent to the Swedish authorities. They have informed that according to their law the evidence available is not sufficient to make out a case against the accused.

Germany: On the basis of the Letter Rogatory sent through diplomatic channel and INTERPOL channel, the accused Zell Jurger Andreas has been traced and questioned. As per the German Law, a German citizen can not be extradited to another country. Relevant papers and documents for initiating prosecution against the accused in Germany have been sent to the German authorities.